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TAGS: PINT, JA
SUBJECT: FUKUDA CONSIDERING US VISIT

SUMMARY: ACCORDING TO PRESS, TAKEO FUKUDA WISHES TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT-ELECT CARTER AT AN EARLY DATE IN WASHINGTON. IF VISIT TO US INCONVENIENT, FUKUDA WOULD BE AMENABLE TO US-JAPAN SUMMIT MEETING IN CONJUNCTION WITH POSSIBLE DEVELOPED NATIONS' LEADERS' SUMMIT.

1. ACCORDING TO DECEMBER 21 PRESS TAKEO FUKUDA, WHO IS CERTAIN TO SUCCEED TAKEO MIKI AS PRIME MINISTER ON DECEMBER 24, DESIRES TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER BECOMING PRIME MINISTER IN ORDER TO HOLD TALKS WITH PRESIDENT-ELECT CARTER ON A WIDE RANGE OF INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC TOPICS. FUKUDA IS SAID TO CONSIDER INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ISSUES INSEPARABLE FROM POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND THEIR SOLUTION DEPENDENT UPON CLOSE CONSULTATIONS WITH THE US. NO SPECIFIC DATES HAVE BEEN MENTIONED IN THE PRESS, WHICH NOTES THAT ARRANGEMENTS LIKELY TO BE MADE THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS.

2. AGAIN ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, FUKUDA BELIEVES THAT IF IT WERE INCONVENIENT TO VISIT THE US AT AN EARLY DATE, IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE A MEETING WITH
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PRESIDENT-ELECT CARTER AT ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY SUCH AS SUMMIT MEETING OF DEVELOPED NATIONS' LEADERS.

3. COMMENT: FOREGOING WAS SUBSTANTIALLY CONFIRMED AS BEING IN LINE WITH FUKUDA'S PRESENT THINKING BY A FUKUDA CONFIDANT DECEMBER 21, WHO ADDED THAT JAPAN'S

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PROBLEMS WITH THE EC WERE INSOLUBLE WITHOUT CLOSE
CONSULTATION WITH THE US. CONFIDANT ALSO CONFIRMED
THAT FUKUDA WOULD NOT BE "STICKY" ABOUT (I.E., INSIST ON) HOLDING
ECONOMIC SUMMIT IN JAPAN. IMPORTANT POINT HE SAID, WAS FOR FUKUDA
TO MEET PRESIDENT-ELECT AS SOON AS MUTUALLY CONVENIENT.
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